
Subject: [CCSS] Message #16: March 8 Summit

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The Arkansas Department of Education, in partnership with Arkansas ASCD and the Common Core State Standards Guiding Coalition, invite your participation in a statewide event designed to involve community shareholders in discussion around Common Core.

This event, Connecting the Common Core and the Community for the Whole Child: A Community Conversation, will be held March 8 at regional sites throughout Arkansas. The format will include a combination of a statewide CIV presentations, regional discussion and a celebration of the importance of partnerships as we move forward with implementation of these new learning standards.

The following have agreed to host this event:

*All education cooperatives (except DeQueen/Mena), *Bryant School District, *Arkansas Public School Resource Center (APSRC), *The Center for Leadership and Learning (AR Tech), *Arkansas Activities Association (AAA) in NLR, *AETN in Conway, *Jonesboro School District, and *Van Buren School District.

The event will begin at 5:00 p.m. with refreshments and introductions at each regional site. Whole group discussion led by Arkansas education leaders is scheduled from 5:30- 6:00 p.m., followed by facilitated regional discussion from 6:00-6:40 p.m. We will finish with a sharing time and a celebration of partnerships, led once again by Arkansas education leaders. The event will conclude by 7:00 p.m.

Just as with other work we are doing in support of the Common Core State Standards, this event will be recorded and housed at www.arkansasideas.org/commoncore <<http://www.arkansasideas.org/commoncore>> within five working days of the conclusion of the event for your use with other groups.

This is the perfect opportunity to build awareness, understanding and ownership of the Common Core State Standards and their relationship to the state's current standards. Transitioning to the new learning standards and the new assessments will require vision, commitment and communication with all stakeholders.

If you have any questions or need further information about the event, please contact Abby Cress at abby.cress@arkansas.gov or by phone at (501) 682-7442.

Please forward this information to other fellow educators in our state!
As always, thank you for serving the students of Arkansas!

Want to be added to the ADE CCSS ListServ?? If so, please send your name, e-mail address and district name to abby.cress@arkansas.gov.

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